

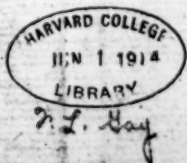
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**New Popish  
Sham - P L O T discovered:**

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**The Curfed Contrivance of the  
Earl of Danby, Mrs. Celier, with the Po-  
pish Lords, and Priests in the Tower and  
Newgate, fully Detected in Villandusly  
fuborning Witness to swear that Sr Edmund  
bury Godfrey wilfully murdered himself.**

**T**HE Popish Faction are so unwearied in spawning their Curfed Plots and Intragues, that they thereby shew themselves to be the true Children of their Father the Devil, who continually goes about to do mischief; neither can all the Disappointments which Divine Providence has given them, deter them from prosecuting their Villanies, though some of their Contrivances are so silly and ridiculous, that if they were not miserably infatuated, they would never have the confidence to imagine they could impose them upon Protestants, and of this sort is the New Sham Discovery, concerning Sir Edmundbury Godfrey, of which take the following brief Account.

The Papists and the Earl of Danby, finding themselves charged afresh with the horrid and barbarous Murder of that worthy Gentleman, by the Evidence of Mr. Fitz-Harris, and two or three other persons, whose Pardons are desired, and are now under his Majesties Consideration, and no question will be granted, since his Majesty is resolved to search into the bottom of the Horrid Popish Plot, and likewise into the Murder of that honest Protestant Justice of Peace, who was so far from being a Fanatick or Faction Dissenter, with which Title many persons are now unjustly branded, that he was known to be an earnest and zealous Assertor of the Doctrine and Discipline of the Church of England, as by Law Established.

Now to prevent any further Discovery, and dreading the Flood of Evidence which they fear is ready to come in against them: The Earl of Danby and the Popish Lords, with the assistance of the generous Madam Celier, and the Newgate Priests and Jesuits, contrived to engage one Macgarff an Irish Tool in their Service, who pretending to be a Protestant, was the Agent between these Lords, carrying Messages from the one to the other; and at last, after some private Consultations with the Earl of Danby, Macgarff (as we hear) told him, that he was sorry his Lordship should remain under the Scandal of a Crime of which he was altogether innocent, for he himself could Testify, That Sir Edmundbury Godfrey Hang'd himself, and that he was employed to dispose of his Body, in such a manner as that it might be thought he was Murdered, thereby to save his Estate, and that himself cut the Rope, carried him to Primrose Hill, and thrust his own Sword through



through his Body, &c. of which the said Sir Edmundbury Godfrey's brother was not Ignorant. Whereupon the Earl of Danby sent for the Lieutenant of the Tower, before whom Macgraff attested the same. The Lieutenant sent for the Lord Allington Constable of the Tower, whom the Lord Danby told, That it would be made appear Sir Edmundbury Godfrey murdered himself; and, That his Brother was not ignorant of it, and, That he was left in that Condition and Posture the Grand Jury found him, that it might thereby seem he had been murdered by some others, whereby his Brother might have his Estate. And his Lordship, therefore thought fit, that the person who could Evidence the Truth of this, should be carried before one of his Majesties Secretaries of State, or before the Council to be Examined.

Hereupon the Lord Allington according to the Duty of his Place, brought this Macgraff before one of the Secretaries, who upon Examination finding great Reason to suspect him for a Cheat and Impostor, he thereupon Ordered a Messenger to take him into Custody, and to keep him close till next day, when the Council was to sit: While Macgraff was in the Messengers hands, he desired his Friends might come to him, and that he might have Liberty to write, both which the Messenger thought fit to deny him; but Macgraff insisting, That he would only write a Letter to the Secretary of State, the Messenger allowed him Pen, Ink and Paper, wherewith he wrote two Letters, one to Mr. Secretary, and another to Mrs. Colliers in Newgate, though the Superscription on the outside was directed to Sir Edw. Fitz-Harris, and sent them away, which the Messenger being aware of, seized upon the Person that carried them, in the Street; and took the Letters from him, and immediately carried them both to Mr. Secretary.

Macgraff being brought before the Council, insisted very much upon what he had said before, That Sir Edmundbury Godfrey Murdered himself, &c. but being interrogated several Questions; as, Whether he knew any of the Lords in the Tower, the Earl of Danby, or the Priests in Newgate? he absolutely denied he had any acquaintance with any of them, or ever saw any but the Earl of Danby. At last being asked, whether he knew Mrs. Celier, or had ever seen her, or corresponded with her by Letters? He like a true Papist, utterly denied it.

Whereupon Mr. Secretary produced the Letter against him under his own Hand, which so startled him, That he at last owned he knew Mrs. Celier, and that it was his own Hand-Writing: After which he was ordered to be searcht, and there was found in his Pocket a Letter from Mrs. Celier, wherein she earnestly exhorts him to go on, in managing that Generous Affair wherein he was engaged.

This clear Discovery and Detection of his Villany, did so absolutely confound Macgraff, that it extorted from him an ingenious Confession: That he was put upon this cursed Intreague by the Instigation of the Earl of Danby, Mrs. Celier, the Popish Lords, and Priests, &c. The Substance of his Letter to Mrs. Celier, which was intercepted was, That he had taken her advice, and had lodged the business in the Secretaries Hands, and had informed him of the matter, and hoped it would have a good effect, and desired further Instructions how to proceed in the business.

After a full Examination of the whole matter. Macgraff entred into Recognizance to make his Appearance when he was called for: And what further proceedings will be made therein a short time will discover.